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Such a slight thing as a state bond issue of \$17,000,000 does not cause a great ripple in North Dakota.

Those jailed suffragettes in Boston forgot their hunger strike just as soon as a steaming plate of baked beans was set before them.

The ex-crown prince of Germany and his notorious father are keeping very much in the background during the conference of the peace delegations in Paris, no doubt having some well-defined notions in mind that their cases are being discussed quite fully by the allied conferences.

"Miss Wilma Henderson, who was discharged by court because she was under 15," was nevertheless not too young to get her picture on the front page of a Boston newspaper in connection with the suffragette row in Boston this week. It is probably not true that the women carried photographs of themselves so as to be ready for all emergencies.

Some of the dangers that are to come from national prohibition are to be seen in the tragedy in Charlestown, Mass., where two persons are dead and four are seriously ill as the result of drinking home-made wine; yet the casualties of this sort will be exceedingly small as compared with the deaths and sickness following the licensed liquor traffic.

Report from dealers in New England cities that the price of maple sugar and syrup is likely to be high this spring is calculated to put a little more energy into the elbows of Vermont sugar makers next month. A successful sugar season adds quite a respectable sum to the income of hundreds of men in Vermont, while other hundreds get returns in proportion to their efforts.

The war department has brought over \$5,000 German helmets for distribution as prizes for floating the fifth war loan. Let precaution be taken lest bogus helmets be foisted on the public by some enterprising but unscrupulous manufacturer. The real German helmets are likely to be sought so much that the desires of the public can easily be imposed upon.

Readers of the Springfield (Mass.) Republican could scarcely believe their eyes when that venerable journal appeared with a date line preceding every dispatch, whether from Chicago or from Vladivostok, in contrast to the former policy of concealing the source of the dispatch in the body of the story itself. It is now possible for the readers of that paper to determine at the outset whether they are getting a story of Longmeadow, Mass., or the Orient. Needless to say, the change makes a great improvement.

The efforts of the Vermont legislature to improve the apple industry of the state through standardized grading should have a tendency to bring a largely increased return into the state. No doubt the purpose back of the measure is not to handicap anyone who is at present engaged in the apple producing business but rather to raise the general tone of the business by improved conditions. Under standardized grading Vermont ought to be able to compete to better advantage with some of the apple-producing states of the Pacific coast and the middle west.

Government agents have done an exceedingly good work in uncovering an

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opium-running agency which has been doing business between Montreal and Boston and New York by way of Vermont, the arrests in the case having been made in Vermont and the prosecutions conducted in the United States court in this state. Some of the principals are behind the bars in federal penitentiaries and accessories have been forced to pay considerable sums of money. But even with this gang put out of business, there can be no cessation of vigilance, because the profits of the business are such as to lure people into opium-running.

CHANCE FOR ECONOMY.

From the standpoint of economy in administration, there is much to be said in favor of the consolidation of the Vermont state prison and the Vermont house of correction, as it is certain that the two institutions could be run in conjunction much more cheaply than when separated as far as Rutland is from Windsor and with two distinct plants and two distinct administrations. And if the two institutions were practically merged into one, instead of being conducted in conjunction while maintaining their separate identities, it is probable that a still more economical operation might be possible without sacrifice of efficiency in either and without having harmful effect on the inmates. In fact, most of the weight of the argument seems to be in favor of the consolidation of the two institutions.

SOLDIERS' RELATIVES KEPT IN NEEDLESS SUSPENSE.

There has been a great deal of criticism of various departments of the government in connection with the war, and the alleged causes of the criticism run over a wide range. Much of this criticism has been wrongly based or due to prejudice entirely; and those who have indulged themselves in this railing have had their own pains for their reward. But there do crop up instances now and then in which it seems that criticism is justified. One of these cases is the failure of the war department to notify E. A. Morgan of St. Johnsbury of the death of his son, Neal Morgan, with the American expeditionary forces in France until a month after the announcement of the death had been received in Washington, and then not until the Vermont delegation had been importuned to make an inquiry into the case of the young soldier, who had been reported previously as missing in action. It was found that Private Morgan died about Sept. 4, the cable to the war department having been received by that department on Jan. 28. Previously the war department had notified Mr. Morgan of St. Johnsbury that his son was missing. The date of that notification was Aug. 6, 1918, and ever since that time the relatives of the young soldier had been hoping against hope that Private Morgan was alive and in a German prison. For one month of that time they had been kept in needless suspense, inasmuch as the official report of the death of the young man had been received in Washington on Jan. 28. To those who have had relatives in the service abroad, or who still have them abroad, this failure to make prompt report to the relatives of the young soldier, Morgan, constitutes a serious reflection on the efficiency of that branch of the war department's activities.

TO ERECT HISTORIC TABLET.

Vermont Society Sons of American Revolution Approves.

The annual meeting of the Vermont society, Sons of the American Revolution, was held yesterday afternoon in the State House. Vice-President Guy W. Bailey presided in the absence of the president, Frank L. Fish.

The annual reports of the officers were read and approved. The treasurer's report showed receipts of \$415.81, and disbursements of \$503.47. A balance remains in the treasury of \$260.14. The historic memorial fund amounts to \$1,032.12.

The following officers were elected: President, Guy W. Bailey; vice-president, W. H. Jeffrey; secretary, Walter H. Crockett; treasurer, Clarence L. Smith; registrar, D. B. E. Kent; historian, Walter H. Crockett; chaplain, Rev. L. C. Smith; auditing committee, C. W. Brownell, W. B. Howe and A. W. Foote; obituary committee, H. A. Slayton, C. A. Plumley and F. D. Dewey; committee on historic memorials, Walter H. Crockett, Byron N. Clark and H. S. Howard. The board of managers will be made up of H. M. Cutler, M. W. Dewey, Charles A. Plumley, G. M. Hawks, Frank L. Fish, Redfield Proctor and E. S. Abbott.

Resolutions were adopted endorsing a bill soon to appear in the state Senate, relating to the gathering and printing of vital statistics in Vermont, and authorizing the president to appoint a committee of three to confer with a similar committee from the Daughters of the American Revolution to consider the propriety of offering medals or money for essays by pupils in the high schools and academies of the state on historic and patriotic subjects.

At a meeting of the board of managers the project of erecting historic tablets on the Thomas Chittenden farm in Williston, the Thomas Chittenden farm in Arlington and the Ethan Allen farm in the same place, was approved.

CURRENT COMMENT

Barre Firemen Showed Their Mettle.

The firemen of Barre showed their mettle when they handled successfully a fire and ball the same evening. Although the fire delayed the program of the ball somewhat, it was a lucky thing for their gala attire that it came first.—Brattleboro Reformer.

Burdening a Boy With Money.

The mother of a six-year-old New York boy, to whom a \$3,000,000 trust fund was left by his father, plans to let the fund accumulate until he becomes 21. As estimated, the fund, with interest compounded annually, will then exceed \$8,000,000.

It is to be hoped that this estimate takes account of income and other taxes. But assuming the realization of the project and granting that the boy comes of age with his inheritance multiplied, will he be any better off with a fortune of \$8,000,000 than with a fortune of \$3,000,000? Is there anything a normal youth on reaching manhood has less use for than money as mere money?

The ambition which seeks to provide the largest possible endowment for a son is, of course, creditable to maternal affection. But it is doing no favor to a boy to heap up unearned millions for his benefit. Making a multi-millionaire of him at the start must necessarily dull his incentive and stunt the development of natural talent. Nor is public opinion as tolerant as it once was of fortunes made through the mere breeding of money.—New York World.

Report the Speeders.

With the approach of spring, and dry roads upon which the autoist may drive his car, there comes the yearly menace of the speeding motor car driver. It may be a fairly good guess that under the administration of Secretary of State Black the rights of pedestrians, of drivers of horses and of all who use the highways will be considered by these speed enthusiasts and maniacs who have for the past five years or more actually "hogged" the highways.

Rutland county and this city has been particularly afflicted with this type of motorist who has done much to make driving on the main roads a dangerous matter. Within a month past the suggestion has been made to The Herald that the time had come to put a stop to making the best thoroughfares in the city race-courses and that the way to bring about such a condition would be for every citizen who has knowledge of violations of the highway laws by motorists to notify the Secretary of State Black.

For a number of years residents on the principal streets have suffered from the annoyance of motor speeders with but little remedy. Within the past month a Herald representative held a chronometer on a man driving a Ford delivery truck for a Center street firm. No matter what the manufacturer tells you, that particular Ford traveled a fraction better than 43 miles an hour through one of the most-used streets of the city. The Herald holds no brief for Secretary Black but it is going to believe that he will do his part to make the roads of Vermont safe for the sane driver of motor cars and at the same time make it expensive for the road hog who drives at a rate which is dangerous to himself as well as to the public.—Rutland Herald.

Dr. Mary Walker and Pioneering.

Dr. Mary Walker was not only a pioneer in advocacy of the widening of woman's opportunity, but a pioneer in courageous personal adventuring into fields of activity to which women have been grudgingly admitted. She belongs in an honorable company, yet she seems destined to be known chiefly as an eccentric woman who dressed like a man. She carried her special crusade to such an extreme and persisted in it with so little regard for the reaction of popular opinion that she long since ceased to be taken seriously. She was on the "Junata fringe"—to use Theodore Roosevelt's phrase—of the movement for dress reform. She lived to see progress in harmony with her ideas, but her personal influence probably hindered rather than helped the advance.

Dr. Walker's eccentricity was harmless in its picturesqueness except that it appealed to a rather raw sense of humor instead of to such truth as there was in the claim that lay back of it. Carrie Nation and her hatchet will come to mind at once. Mrs. Nation was sincere and courageous, but she was hardly taken seriously even as a law breaker. She may, after all, have helped the cause of prohibition, but it is more than likely that she will be chiefly remembered for having made a joke of it. Mrs. Pankhurst, as an advocate of woman suffrage in England, has probably escaped a similar fate by her whole-hearted support of the government during the war. Dr.

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In every great social advance there are pioneers both of those who see the light first and of those who advanced first and most boldly to meet it. But the useful pioneer is the one who helps to prepare the way and makes it easier for others to make it. That a certain condition of things is wrong, even to know what is needed to make it right, is only part of the equipment. The prophet may shout his truth from the housetops and yet only drive people away from it. It may be that it were better for them and for the truth had this particular prophet never arisen. Even a cell in a federal penitentiary cannot save the pioneer who incorrectly senses the spirit of his time and his people from the fate of going down into history, if he goes down at all, as chiefly a joke or a pest. And the

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